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DON HRPP DoDTechipedia Space

The Department of Navy Human Research Protection Program (DON HRPP) has established a new space for sharing relevant information. The Defense Technical Information Center (DTIC) developed a wiki-based platform, DoDTechipedia, designed to increase communication and collaboration among Department of Defense (DoD) personnel. Like milSuite, which was sunsetted in April 2025, DoDTechipedia offers the DON human research protections community a platform to access and share information, updates, best practices, lessons learned, and other technical resources.

Authorized users of DTIC include employees and contractors of the DoD and other Federal agencies. The DON HRPP private space within DTIC is accessible only to DoD personnel and contractors who have been individually granted access.

Additional details about DTIC information-sharing can be found at: https://www.dodtechipedia.mil/dodwiki/display/DTPADMIN/Information-Sharing+Guidelines+for+DoD-Techipedia

Follow these subsequent instructions to create an account.

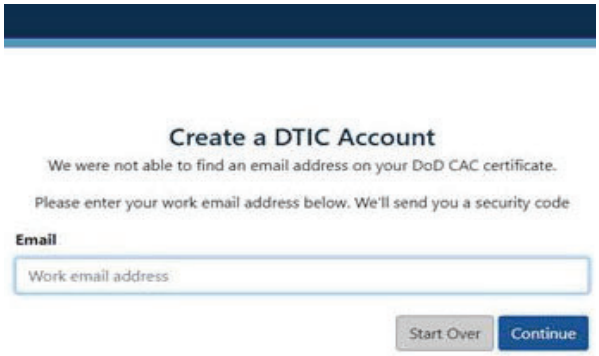
PART 1: CREATE A DTIC ACCOUNT

*If you already have a DTIC account, skip to Part 2.**

1. Go to https://www.dodtechipedia.mil/dodwiki/display/donhrpp/ (or any other DTIC-hosted site, such as https://login.dtic.mil/).
2. You'll be asked for a Common Access Card (CAC) certificate when accessing the page.
3. Click "Create your DTIC Account" on the left.
4. The next page will say "Create your DTIC Account" Click "Smart Card."
   a. If you get stuck on this step, you may already have a DTIC account.
   b. Go back to step 3, then try selecting "Sign In" instead of "Create Your DTIC Account."

Defense Technical Information Center
PRESERVING KNOWLEDGE CONNECTING PEOPLE INSPIRING INNOVATION
Smart Card
CAC | ECA | PIV
CAC Users select Authentication Certificate
How to Select a DoD Certificate PC | Mac
Sign In
New to DTIC?
Create your DTIC Account

5. You will receive a message "We were not able to find an email address on your DoD CAC certificate." Type your government email address in the box and click "Continue."


Create a DTIC Account
We were not able to find an email address on your DoD CAC certificate.
Please enter your work email address below. We'll send you a security code
Email
Work email address
Start Over
Continue

6. In the next few minutes, the email address you entered will receive an email with a security code. Copy and paste or type the security code into the field in DTIC and click "Continue."
7. You will be redirected to the DTIC home page, no matter what DTIC page you started on. Once you receive a confirmation email, your DTIC account has been created successfully.

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PART 2: PERMISSIONS TO DON HRPP SPACE

**Start here if you already have a DTIC account*

1. Go to https://www.dodtechipedia.mil/ and log into DoD-Techipedia using your DTIC account. Note, you will not be able to access the DON HRPP space yet.
2. Request access by emailing:
    a. Your command's DON HRPP POC.
    b. The DON HRPP DTIC POC, Nora Livengood. nora.d.livengood.ctr@health.mil
    c. The DON HRPP General Mailbox. usn.ncr.bumedfchva.mbx.don-hrpp@health.mil
3. You will receive a confirmation email once your account has been given permission to access the DON HRPP space.
4. Visit the DON HRPP space at: https://www.dodtechipedia.mil/dodwiki/display/donhrpp/

DON HRPP CLaSS

DON HRPP held the latest Command Learn and Share Series (CLaSS) session *"Managing Research Noncompliance: Identification, Correction, Prevention, and Reporting"* on 5 August 2025. This comprehensive session focused on practical strategies for managing research noncompliance. Expert guest presenter, Alicia Shapard of the Naval Postgraduate School (NPS), shared insights into the noncompliance review process within the NPS human research protection program. Following the presentation, attendees had the opportunity to participate in a case study exercise designed to bridge the gap between theoretical knowledge and real-world application. The recorded session is available for viewing in the DON HRPP DTIC space.

Join us for the next CLaSS session!

"Navigating the Survey Review Process"

Wednesday, 24 September 2025, 1330-1500 ET

This session aims to provide a better understanding of the submission, review, and approval processes for research-related surveys administered within the DON. To maximize the scope and effectiveness of the Q&A segment, please submit your questions with the subject line "Survey Review Process CLaSS Question" to usn.pentagon.cnr-arlington-va.mbx.onr-343@us.navy.mil.

PRIM&R 2025

The 2025 Public Responsibility in Medicine & Research Annual Conference will be held in Baltimore, MD on 6-8 November. Registration is now open. More information is available at: https://primr25-sber25.eventscribe.net/aaStatic.asp?SFP=SFFVSE5OVU5AMjE0ODc

APPRECIATION FOR DR. BENILDA POOSER AND MS. KATHLEEN PRENDERGAST

The DON HRPP acknowledges the dedicated service of Dr. Benilda P. Pooser and Ms. Kathleen (Katy) Prendergast, who concluded their tenures with the Office of Naval Research (ONR), Code 343, Research Protections Division, in May 2025.

Dr. Pooser served as the Deputy Director, ONR Research Protections Division, commencing in Spring 2023. In this capacity, she provided essential leadership and subject matter expertise for the implementation of human research protection programs across various DON entities, including Systems Commands, operational forces, training commands, and DON-sponsored non-DoD institutions.

Ms. Prendergast joined the ONR Research Protections Division in Spring 2021 as a Human Research Protection Specialist (Training). She provided critical subject matter expertise for human research protection programs across numerous commands, including the Naval Postgraduate School, United States Naval Academy, Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division, Navy Experimental Diving Unit, and Naval War College, where she served as the DON HRPP point of contact.

The DON HRPP recognizes the significant contributions of Dr. Pooser and Ms. Prendergast and their positive impact on the program. We express our sincere appreciation for their service to the DON and wish them continued success in their future endeavors.

* COMING SOON * NEW POST-TRAINING EVALUATIONS

For many years, DON HRPP has used paper evaluation forms at its training and education sessions to collect attendee feedback with the goal of improving future learning experiences. DON HRPP is pleased to announce the transition to electronic post-training evaluations to enhance the efficiency and flexibility of this process. The move to an electronic form enables the collection of feedback for both in-person and virtual training sessions. Qualtrics was selected as the platform for these electronic evaluations based on its existing contract with the DoD, its improved accessibility for data collection, and its robust features for anonymizing participant responses. The transition from paper to Qualtrics' electronic form is expected to streamline the process, allowing users to complete the post-training evaluation at their convenience.

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